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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Robert E. Smith III

Serial Number: 10/679,908

Filed: 10/6/2003

For: UNDERSEA HYDRAULIC
COUPLING FOR USE WITH
MANIFOLD PLATES§
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Confirmation No. 3821

Examiner: Thomas A. Beach

Group art unit: 3671

Atty Docket No. 221-0073US

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

This Response is submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed June 29, 2005, in connection with the captioned application.

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